HOUSE JOINT RESOLUTION 560 By Montgomery

A RESOLUTION To designate August, 2001 as "Celebrate Freedom Month!" in Tennessee.

WHEREAS, Since the birth of our great nation, hundreds of thousands of brave

American men and women have served their country in the armed forces and many continue
this legacy of service today, defending the most inviolate principles of human freedom and
democracy; and

WHEREAS, Tennesseans are justly proud of our veterans who have served our Nation in order to protect those inalienable rights that we all hold dear, such as freedom and liberty; and

WHEREAS, Pigeon Forge, deeply rooted in patriotism and one of the top tourist destinations in the State of Tennessee, is host to dozens of military reunions; and

WHEREAS, The good citizens of Pigeon Forge understand and appreciate the sacrifices made by the brave sons and daughters of Tennessee and this nation who have forfeited their personal safety and, in many instances, their lives, so that we might continue to enjoy the many bounties of democracy and the American way of life; and

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WHEREAS, In this spirit, the City of Pigeon Forge has created Celebrate Freedom!, an annual event that honors the Veterans of the United States Armed Forces for their courage, valor, and sacrifice; and

WHEREAS, This fitting observance provides the members of this General Assembly and all citizens of this State with the opportunity to pay tribute to the men and women who have bravely served this country through their military service; now, therefore,

BE IT RESOLVED BY THE HOUSE OF REPRESENTATIVES OF THE ONE HUNDRED SECOND GENERAL ASSEMBLY OF THE STATE OF TENNESSEE, THE SENATE CONCURRING, That we hereby designate August, 2001 as "Celebrate Freedom Month!" in Tennessee.

BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED, That we encourage all Tennesseans to follow the fine example set by Pigeon Forge and join with us in this worthy observance, supporting the efforts of our nation's armed forces and honoring our military heroes.

BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED, That an appropriate copy of this resolution be prepared for presentation with this final clause omitted from such copy.

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